

HOUSE BILL NO. 281

INTRODUCED BY WAGMAN

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT A GUIDE OR PROFESSIONAL GUIDE MAY QUALIFY FOR LICENSURE ACCORDING TO STANDARDS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF OUTFITTERS IN LIEU OF AN ENDORSEMENT AND RECOMMENDATION BY A LICENSED OUTFITTER; AND AMENDING SECTION 37-47-303, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 37-47-303, MCA, is amended to read:

"37-47-303. Guide's and professional guide's qualifications. (1) An applicant for a guide's or professional guide's license must meet the following qualifications:

(a) be 18 years of age or older and be physically capable and mentally competent to perform the duties of a guide or professional guide;

(b) be endorsed and recommended by an outfitter with a valid license, unless otherwise qualified under guide or professional guide standards established by the board pursuant to 37-47-201(4); and

(c) have been issued a valid wildlife conservation license.

(2) In addition to the requirements listed in subsection (1), an applicant for licensure as a professional guide must meet additional experience requirements, to be set by board rule, and may be required to show proof of training or pass a qualifying examination when required by board rule."

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